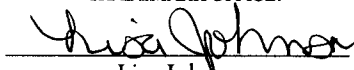


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**SUGGESTED REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION  
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.142(c)**


Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.142(c), the Applicant hereby suggests restriction of the claims of the present application to one of the following Groups:

- I. Claims 1-38 directed to a system; and
- II. Claims 39-51 directed to a method.

The above-identified Groups are likely to be subject to different classifications, and are likely to require different fields of search, thus the restriction is appropriate. If the Examiner restricts the claims as suggested above, the Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, Group II.

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